

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 259, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1554–1570, and S. Res. 216–217. **Page S10906**

Measures Passed:

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 259, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S10874**

Frist Amendment No. 1540, to provide for an adjournment of the House of Representatives on the legislative day of Tuesday, July 29, 2003. **Page S10874**

Museum and Library Services Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 13, to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 888, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10930–31**

Warner (for Gregg) Amendment No. 1541, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S10931**

Subsequently, S. 888 was returned to the Senate calendar.

Labor, Health and Human Services, Education Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of H.R. 2660, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 2, 2003. **Page S10886**

Appointment Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the Majority and Democratic Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S10931**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that during this adjournment of the Senate, the Majority Leader or the Assistant Majority Leader, or Senator Santorum, be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions. **Page S10932**

Intelligence Authorization Act—Conferees: Pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of July 31, 2003, relative to H.R. 2417, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, the following conferees were appointed on the part of the Senate: from the Select Committee on Intelligence: Senators Roberts, Hatch, DeWine, Bond, Lott, Snowe, Hagel, Chambliss, Warner, Rockefeller, Levin, Feinstein, Wyden, Durbin, Bayh, Edwards, and Mikulski; from the Committee on Armed Services: Senators Allard and Nelson (FL). **Page S10932**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Teresa M. Ressel, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. (Prior to this action, Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration.)

James J. Jochum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Robert Stanley Nichols, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jeffrey A. Marcus, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Belgium. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Paul Michael Warner, of Utah, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah for the term of four years. (Reappointment) **Pages S10931–32**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Richard Eugene Hoagland, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan.

Sandra L. Townes, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Army and Navy.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned under the provisions of H. Con. Res. 259, at 2:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 2, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10932.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: on July 31, 2003, Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert Stanley Nichols, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, James J. Jochum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

AFFORDABLE PHARMACEUTICALS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Senate and House versions of the Greater Access to Pharmaceuticals Act, focusing on the Hatch-Waxman provisions that govern the generic drug approval process, after receiving testimony from Timothy J. Muris, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Sheldon T. Bradshaw, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Jon W. Dudas, Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property, and Deputy Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Daniel E. Troy, Chief Counsel, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Robert A. Armitage, Eli Lilly and Company, Washington, D.C.